



## ALBERTON MATRIC PROJECT

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### LANGUAGE POLICY

#### Introduction

This Language Policy was developed based on requirements and recommendations of the Department of Basic Education's "Language in Education Policy," the National Education Policy Act, and the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa.

It also embraces the Vision and Mission of AMP/PTSC.

We affirm that multilingualism and equitable language rights are protected in the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa and that the promotion of multilingualism demonstrates our commitment to nurturing respect for diversity amongst our students.

#### Language of Learning and Teaching

The language of learning and teaching at AMP/PTSC was determined by the Director of the School in accordance with Section 6(2) of the South African Schools Act.

The Director has determined that the language of learning and teaching at AMP/PTSC will be English.

All learning and teaching at AMP/PTSC will take place through the medium of English.

Therefore, English Home Language is offered to all fulltime students from grade 8 to grade 12.

Learning and teaching in a specific language subject may take place through the medium of that particular language and English (whatever is appropriate and necessary to ensure that the curriculum is covered adequately).

AMP/PTSC promotes multilingualism as far as this is possible and necessary by offering Afrikaans and isiZulu as first additional language subjects.

Upgrading and ASC students with other combinations of HL and FAL are accommodated as far as possible.

#### Languages as Social and Cultural Media

Students at AMP/PTSC are free to speak with their peers in the language in which they are most comfortable in common spaces, or in social interactions.

Acknowledging that language plays a significant role in cultural identity, AMP/PTSC parents/guardians are encouraged to continue speaking with their child in their home language, to instill cultural values and practices related to home language, and to support their child in expressing these cultural values and practices so that they can be shared with peers at school.

Discriminatory behaviour on the basis of language, intentional or otherwise, will not be tolerated at AMP/PTSC.

Breaches of this Policy will be dealt with under the Code of Conduct.

This existing policy was placed onto a letterhead, as per protocol required by ISD.

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Principal and Director

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